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PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS.

UNITED STATES.

[Reports to the Surgeon-General, Public Health and Marine-Hospital Service.]

Report from Eastport, Me.—Smallpox at St. John, New Brunswick.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Small reports, March 1, as follows:

There is a case of smallpox, of a mild type, in the isolation hospital at St. John, New Brunswick. The disease was imported from Kennedy's lumber camp in Queens County. There are 2 more cases in Queens County originating from the same source.

School children have been exposed to infection, and the board of health of St. John are taking every precaution to prevent spread of the disease.

Report from Vanceboro, Me.—Precautions taken on Canadian border to prevent importation of smallpox.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Young reports, February 26, as follows:

During the week ended February 25 I inspected 18 trains carrying 715 passengers, of whom I vaccinated 30.

Since my last report, smallpox has been found in Kingsville, Milford, and Randolph, suburbs of St. John, in all of which the source of infection was the same, a lumber camp at Westfield, from which many of the employees scattered at the first suspicion of infection, and in the vicinity of which, as estimated by St. John health authorities, between 600 and 1,000 persons have been exposed to contagion.

In Milford the disease was diagnosed and treated as chicken pox for one week, while in Randolph it was found in an advanced stage by the health officers while on a tour of inspection of suspected places.

As there is no general compulsory vaccination law in these villages available for present conditions, the situation is viewed with alarm by St. John people.

STATISTICAL REPORTS OF STATES AND CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES YEARLY AND MONTHLY.

CALIFORNIA—*Oakland*.—Month of January, 1906. Estimated population, 100,000. Total number of deaths, 118, including diphtheria 2, enteric fever 1, and 8 from tuberculosis.

Sacramento.—Month of January, 1906.—Estimated population, 35,000. Total number of deaths, 61, including enteric fever 1, and 8 from phthisis pulmonalis.